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SUBJECT: REQUEST FOR INFORMATION ON STATUS OF
MARINE MAMMALS

REF: STATE 114904

1. OF SPECIES LISTED IN REFTTEL ONLY TWO, I.E., SEA COWS AND DOLPHINS, SAID TO BE FOUND IN COSTA RICAN WATERS. ACTING CHIEF OF FISH AND WILDLIFE SECTION OF MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE PROVIDED EMBOFF WITH FOLLOWING INFORMATION ON THESE TWO SPECIES:

A. SEA COWS - EXACT NUMBER IS NOT KNOWN BUT IS THOUGHT TO BE QUITE LOW. THEY ARE FOUND OFF THE NORTHEASTERN COAST OF COSTA RICA NEAR THE TORTUGERO AREA. THESE MAMMALS HAVE NOT BEEN HUNTED TO ANY NOTICEABLE EXTENT AND ARE USUALLY DIFFICULT TO ENCOUNTER. THERE ARE NO SPECIMENS IN COSTA RICAN ZOOS OR SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

B. DOLPHINS - A SPECIES OF DOLPHIN KNOWN LOCALLY AS "BUFEO" IS FOUND IN LARGE NUMBERS, ESTIMATED AT OVER 10,000, IN THE AREA OF THE GULF OF NICOYA ON THE NORTHWEST COAST OF COSTA RICA. THE COMMERCIAL USE OF THESE MAMMALS IS PROHIBITED BY LAW. THERE ARE NO SPECIMENS IN COSTA RICAN ZOOS OR SCIENTIFIC INSTITUTIONS.

2. IF INTERNATIONAL STATUS REPORT ON MARINE MAMMALS IS TO BE PREPARED, EMBASSY WOULD APPRECIATE RECEIVING COPIES OF IT FOR TRANSMITTAL TO FISH AND WILDLIFE SECTION HOYE.

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